

Northwest Provost departs for new job

Taylor Barnes leaves
Northwest to return to Air
Force Academy in Colorado

By JANEA PHILIP
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

After serving Northwest for more than 10 years, Provost Taylor Barnes will be moving on.

"Following consultation with my family and President Hubbard, we concluded this is a professional development opportunity that doesn't present itself very often," Barnes said.

Barnes was scheduled to retire in the summer of 2005, but received an opportunity to return to the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.

"This opportunity results in my leaving only a few months earlier than

scheduled," Barnes said.

Barnes' initial plans were to move back to Colorado Springs and be closer to his family, even before he received the surprise offer to return to the Air Force Academy.

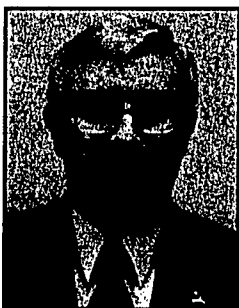
"I received a call from the department personnel officer and he asked me to be a distinguished professor," Barnes said.

Dr. Richard Frucht, department chair of history, humanities, philosophy and political science said he was shocked of Barnes' resignation but supports his decision.

"It's a great opportunity for him to go back to the Air Force Academy," Frucht said.

After working with Barnes for four years, Frucht said the two had a great working relationship.

"He has been very supportive in (Please see 'Provost' page A7)



TAYLOR BARNES

Road tax denied by slim margin

Polk Township residents fail
to pass tax levy by 12 votes

By AARON BAILEY
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

The much-debated Polk Township road tax levy failed by a slim margin Tuesday as residents weighed in on several issues of local importance.

The proposed road measure, which would have increased property taxes by 35 cents for every \$100, lost by a total of 12 votes. A similar proposal was shot down by voters last year and Maryville resident Gary Kinder wasn't surprised by Tuesday's results.

"I think most people were upset that they were trying to build a road for Maryville Industrial Corporation and the state highway department," he said. "I don't think that's Polk Township's responsibility."

But for Polk Township trustee Greg Fisher, a strong proponent of the proposal, Tuesday's result was a bitter pill to swallow.

"We're obviously disappointed," Fisher said. "Overall, we knew it was going to be close. The most disappointing (aspect) as far as voter turnout, was probably at the University. If there were a few more voters out there, we may have had a horse race."

A mere three voters turned out of the 382 Northwest students who were eligible to vote. Both the Student Senate and University President Dean Hubbard endorsed the Polk Township road proposal.

Student Senate Vice President Chase Cornett said senators wanted to set up the polling site at the J.W. Jones Student Union, but ran into complications that forced the voting poll to a location at the Wesley Center. Cornett believes this may have led to the low turnout.

"I think a lot of it was knowledge of where to go," Cornett said. "It's kind of disappointing, but we did what we could to get the word out and get people to vote."

Fisher said there will be a board meeting tonight to discuss the outcome, but does not foresee a similar proposal for at least a year or two.

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STEROIDS

With steroid use plaguing modern-day athletics, collegiate baseball teams have been met with the challenge of keeping their institutions clean

By BILL KNUST
SENIOR REPORTER

Hundreds of thousands of fans flocked to baseball stadiums Monday for opening day of the

baseball season, even though the dark cloud of steroids hung overhead.

While the debate of who is taking what and how it affects the game, most people agree on one thing—it needs to stop.

"I think the credibility issue of the game right now is being torn down right now," Northwest baseball head coach Darin Loe said.

"Whether they are using it or not, I think people just want to know because baseball is built on its history. That's one of the big things because we are all chasing the original records of everybody. If the people that are breaking those records unnaturally because of steroids, then it is bad for the game."

Major League Baseball does intermittent steroid testing throughout the season, but the NCAA only tests baseball teams that make the postseason in Division II, Loe said.

In 2002 the NCAA had a pilot drug-testing program for Division II, the first of its kind for D-II baseball. Two

randomly selected players apiece at 74 schools were screened from January to May and were given 24-48 hours' notice. Players were also tested in the fall.

Only three players—two pitchers and one field player—tested positive out of the 357 athletes tested.

Northwest designated hitter Brad Schwarz has never been screened for steroids, but has been around testing.

"I've had friends on the team that have been tested throughout the year," Schwarz said. "I believe they just go have them pee in a cup, or whatever they do."

The NCAA has had year-round testing for Division I and II football since 1990 and Division I track and field since '92.

Year-round testing for all sports in Division I and II is up for review in April at an executive meeting, said Mary Wilfert, assistant director of Education Outreach. If that is passed every sport will be subject to year-round testing.

Although 74 schools were tested, 230 schools compete in baseball at the Division II level. When asked if he

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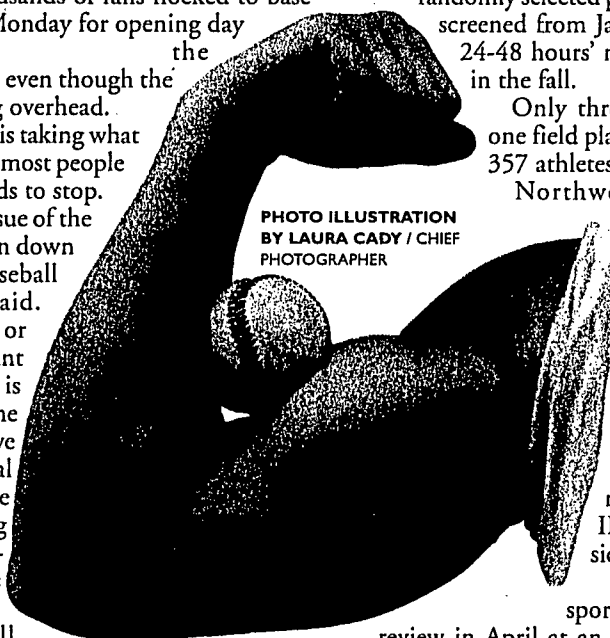


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NCAA PENALTY

"If an athlete tests positive for anabolic steroids or any other banned substance, they are suspended from that sport for one year and lose their eligibility for one year."

MARY WILFERT, NCAA ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR OF
EDUCATION OUTREACH

SIDE EFFECTS OF ANABOLIC STEROIDS

- Shrinking of the testicles
- Reduced sperm count
- Infertility, baldness
- Development of breasts
- Increased risk for prostate cancer.

SOURCE: WebMD.COM

Students give resounding 'no' to merger

Questions and concerns
continue to be expressed
by Northwest students

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

When asked about the proposed merger with the UM system, a vast majority of Northwest students have said no.

In last week's Student Senate-sponsored WebSTAR vote, 68.6 percent of students opposed the merger.

Although only 1,151 students

voted—about 19 percent of the student population—Student Senate President Emily Dix was pleased with the turnout.

"I was very positive with the number of voters," Dix said. "It was the most numbers we've ever had for a merger vote. I'm proud they're forming opinions and expressing them."

The release of the voting response comes five days after State Rep. Lager filed a bill in the House of Representatives. During the town hall meetings in Maryville the week of March 22, Lager said he would file a bill to gauge the opin-

ions of his colleagues in the house.

Lager filed the merger bill, leaving out specifics about a funding formula for Northwest's state appropriations, tuition costs and admission standards.

There are members of the Legislature who will add amendments to address those questions, Lager told *The St. Joseph News-Press* last week.

Eric Willis, Student Senate Governmental Affairs Chair said he will send the results to Lager, State Senator David Klindt, President Dean Hubbard's Cabinet and the Board of Regents.

But unlike recent surveys con-

ducted by Student Senate, the WebSTAR vote had only one question: Are you in support of the merger?

"It's not as helpful as a survey, but a lot of times surveys don't come back because they take longer to fill out," Willis said. "I don't know how (legislators, administrators and regents) are going to use it. I don't know if it's going to make a difference or not. Most decisions may have already been in place."

However, according to Kent Porterfield, vice president of Student Affairs, merger talks are far from over.

"I think everyone (in the President's Cabinet) recognizes (Please see 'Questions' page A7)

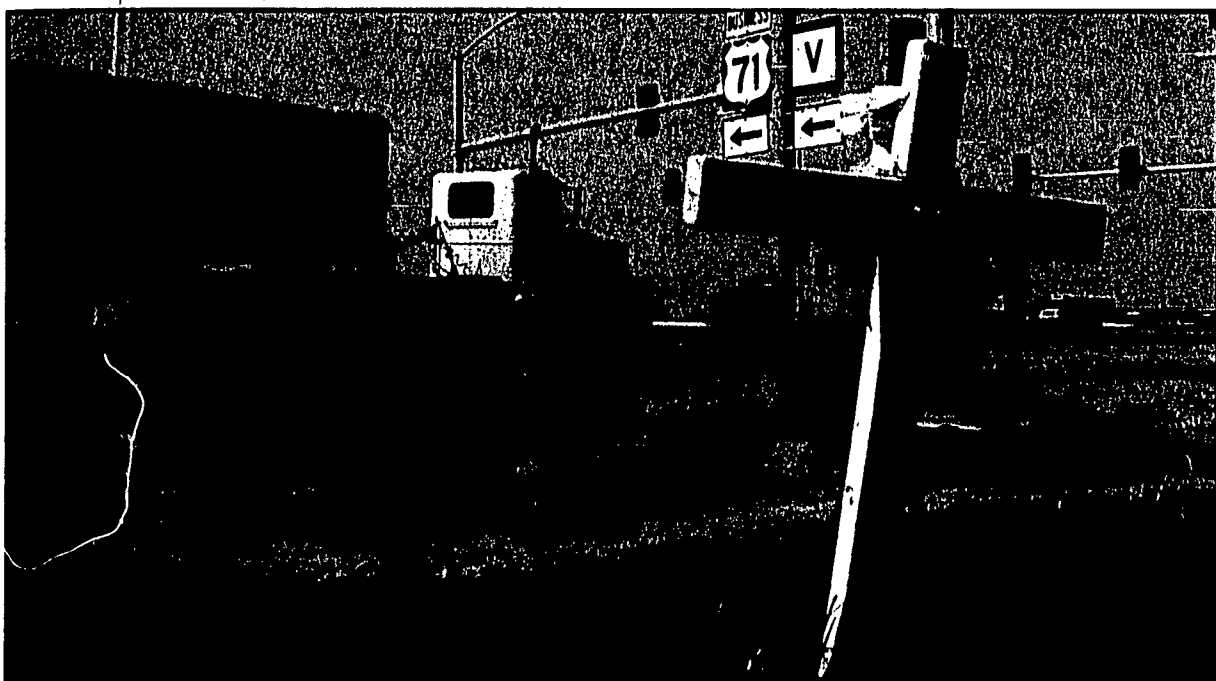


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A homemade cross marks the spot at the intersection of U.S. and Business 71 where University of Missouri-Rolla students Emily Douglas and Dan Irisk were killed in October 2002. The Missouri Senate passed a Federal Transportation bill that will improve U.S. Highways 71 and 136 and provide safer travel for local drivers.

Senate passes bill to improve highways

U.S. highways scheduled
for renovation with passing
of Federal Transportation bill

By AARON BAILEY
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

U.S. Highways 71 and 136 will soon be receiving major upgrades after Congressman Sam Graves' announcement that a six-year Federal Transportation bill has allocated \$6 million for these projects.

Earlier this week, the Missouri Senate passed the bill, which was approved by the State House of Representatives last week. Now the legislation heads to conference for approval before the funding will be

made available.

"I think it's going to have a huge impact on Maryville," Graves said. "It's a safety factor as much as anything else and we got a lot of input from folks on that, wanting something done. That's one of the reasons I made it one of my priorities."

A diamond interchange will be constructed at the intersection of Highway 71 and Business 71. The Missouri Department of Transportation's preliminary plan is to build a bridge over Business 71. According to MoDOT District engineer Beth Wright, there is no set timetable on the project, considering the bill has yet to be finalized.

Graves, a member of the House Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, said that the number of accidents at that intersection was

troubling and hopes the improvements will help prevent future incidents and most importantly, save lives.

"I certainly hope that it (saves lives)," he said. "That's the reason for the new interchange because there have been a lot of accidents out there and a lot of people have contacted me about it. We were able to find funding for it was for that reason alone."

The U.S. 136 project is actually a continuing endeavor to widen and resurface the road. The project, which involves widening, resurfacing and bridge-work, began more than two years ago. This funding will allow for MoDOT to continue the effort.

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- 15.9% Going for a run... and then realizing that I'm out of shape
- 6.8% Playing hantzee with grandma and grandpa.

Online poll:

Who is your early favorite to win the MLB World Series?

- a. Royals - This is their year!
- b. Astros - they have the guns to get it done.
- c. Red Sox - Bean-town will break the curse.
- d. Steinbrenner's Money (a.k.a. The Yankees).

Apartments nearly ready for students

By BURNIA COTHIRNE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The hard hats were off as the University Leadership Forum took a first glance at one of the new student apartment buildings yesterday.

"We want to introduce the staff to what we have done so far," said Matt Baker, assistant director of Residential Life. "This is the first new housing since the 70s and we're pretty proud of what we've done and we want to show it off."

In attendance were President Dean Hubbard and his cabinet department chairs, deans, directors and the heads of University departments.

Mark Hetzler, director of Residential Life, said it was exciting to see the results after dealing with paper and plans for so long.

"We are displaying phase one of the University master plan," Baker said. "We started in 1999 to renovate and replace residence halls and this is the first phase of our residence plan."

Dave Duvall, assistant director of Environmental Services, said the University now owns one apartment building on the East side and will own the rest early next week. The suites will be completed in June.

"We are planning this summer to have an open house and some dedication and rededication ceremonies of the facilities," Hetzler said.

The approximate monthly cost for the University apartments is \$375 per person. In this cost includes a laptop computer and Internet, free water, trash, parking, cable, telephone and furniture. The only utilities that the students must pay for are gas and electric.

"Students who are looking for the cheapest buy will choose to live off-campus," said Kent Porterfield, vice president of Student Affairs. "But students who want the best value will pick these apartments."

To read more of this story check out *The Northwest Missourian* online at www.missourianonline.com

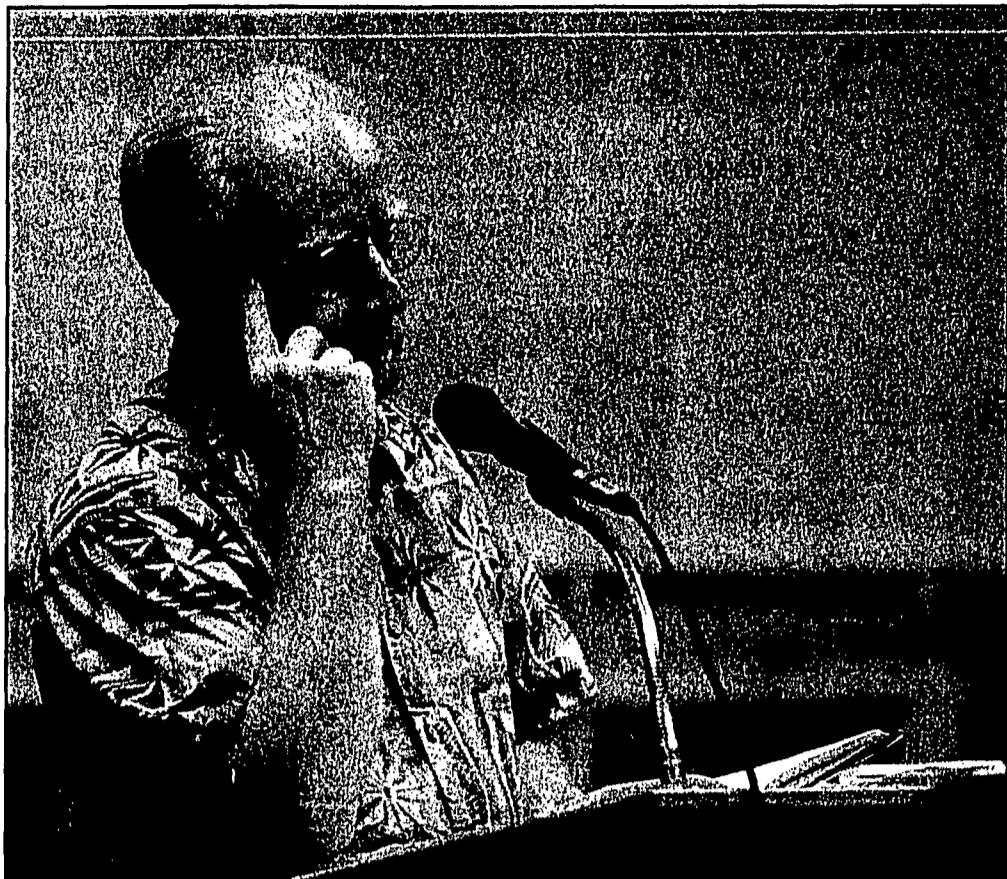


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Distinguished Professor Emeritus at Northwest, William Trowbridge enlightens the audience with his very own poetry Wednesday night in the Union Ballroom. Trowbridge is the author of several collections of poetry and is currently an associate editor for *The Laurel Review*.

Distinguished professor entertains with readings

By LACEY BAGLEY
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

William Trowbridge, distinguished professor emeritus at Northwest, entertained audiences Wednesday night in the Union Ballroom when he kicked off his new book of poetry, "The Complete Book of Kong."

"(The purpose of 'The Complete Book of Kong') is to talk about the inner Kong in all of us, the person that looks better on the inside than on the outside," Trowbridge said.

Trowbridge also said that King Kong, the main character of his new book, represented the part of every person that is dark or afraid. To express serious emotions, Trowbridge uses humor. Featured poems read on Wednesday night were "Kong Bares His Soul Regarding Tyrannasaura Regina," "Kong Looks Back on His tryout with the Bears," "Kong Incognito" and "The Madness of Kong."

Trowbridge was born in Chicago, spent his elementary and high school years in Omaha, Neb., and earned degrees from both the University of

Missouri-Columbia and Vanderbilt University. He holds a bachelor's degree in philosophy and a Ph.D. in English.

Trowbridge taught at Northwest for several years but is now an associate editor for *The Laurel Review*, Northwest's literary journal. He has published four complete collections of poetry and one chapbook. His work also appears in more than 20 anthologies. Trowbridge said he likes returning to Northwest for poetry readings because he gets to see old friends and some new faces in the student body. Northwest students and faculty feel the same.

"There is such a variety of poetry," said Rebecca Aronson, assistant professor of English. "His work is, along with very beautiful and lyric, funny—which students aren't likely to encounter."

She also said she would like to start a creative writing society at Northwest and she hopes that readings such as the one Trowbridge gave will further that cause.

"Hopefully [students] will enjoy the poetry and it will spark their interest in reading Trowbridge and poetry in general," Aronson said.

Scribblers meet as friends to improve writing

By STEPHANIE STANGL
CHIEF REPORTER

For something new to do, Northwest students need only a pen, some paper and a little imagination.

Though many remain unaware, Scribblers is a student-run creative writing group that meets 5 p.m. Thursdays outside 3010 Colden Hall.

According to Rebecca Aronson, faculty advisor of the group, around 15 students attend the meetings, but all students are encouraged to join. "Everyone that is interested in writing could benefit from the group," Aronson said. "It's a chance to be a part of a writing community."

Precious Sanders, a Scribblers mem-

ber who discovered the group through Freshman Seminar last year, said she enjoys the informal environment the group provides.

"I like the casual atmosphere," Sanders said. "When we do creative writing activities, the group is not overly critical. It's a very friendly environment."

Rosetta Ballew, another Scribblers member, enjoys the group for the same reason.

"It's fun to get together without any pressure," Ballew said. "We're just a friendly group of people that writes when we feel like it."

Sometimes a member volunteers to bring in a writing exercise or prompt for the group. Workshops are also held where students can exchange pieces and

critique each other's work.

Scribblers sponsors the "Visiting Writers Series." The latest author to come to Northwest was William Trowbridge. Mary Jo Bang will be the next to visit at 7:30 p.m. on April 22 in the Union Ballroom.

Additionally, the group will sponsor "A Night of Literature," at 8 p.m. on April 15 at the Main Street Coffeehouse. Admission is free and the event will be a presentation of non-fiction, prose and poetry composed by Scribblers members, as well as monologues performed by the University Players.

Ballew also finds comfort in the common ground the group provides.

"It's comforting to get to be in a group where a mutual passion is shared," Ballew said. "It's great how we can feed off each other and, in turn, become better writers."

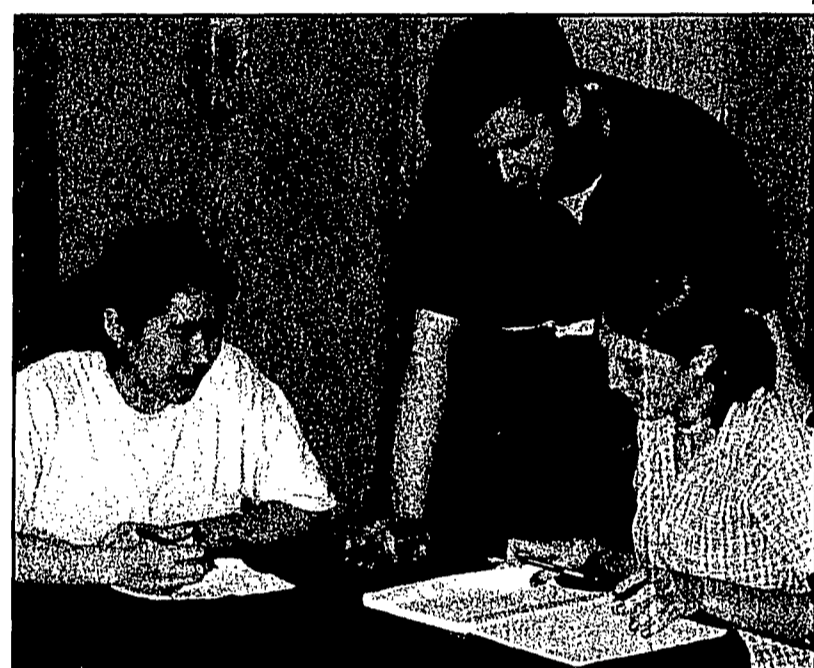


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Scribblers members Precious Sanders, Reid Kirchoff and Rosetta Ballew discuss ideas for a creative writing exercise. Scribblers is a group for students to work together to improve individual writing.

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JUST THINK

Northwest professor returns from Iraq with honors

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

When Mark Corson stepped back onto campus during Tuesday's welcoming reception, a lot had changed.

After being deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom Feb. 10, 2003, Corson, assistant professor of geography, saw new apartment complexes and suites and a renovated Rickenbrode stadium.

But the thing he appreciated the most about his 13-month diplomacy was support from his colleagues and family.

"I want to acknowledge my administrators and colleagues for taking my classes and making a seamless transition," Corson told a crowd of 30 students and faculty. "They sacrificed to do that, too."

Corson returned to Maryville two weeks ago to his wife and two children. And while he thanked them for their support, he had an important question for them.

"My children were 9 and 11 years old when I left and now they're 10 and 12. I wanted to know, 'Have they gone to college, and if so, did I pay for it?'" Corson said, drawing an uproar of laughter from the crowd.

Corson, who served as commander of the 450th Movement Control Battalion, said receiving e-mails and posters were important in keeping morale high.

"Those banners (students) sent me were not just for me, but everybody shared in that and they appreciate that," Corson said.

While in Iraq, Corson was responsible for 500 soldiers, none of which were killed. Corson's battalion was responsible for theater transportation movement in southern Iraq from last March until July. One of the control operations was the Baghdad In-

ternational Airport. After spending 100 days in Iraq, the battalion moved to Camp Arifjan Kuwait, processing 11,000 movement requests.

Twenty-six Northwest students and faculty have been deployed over the duration of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Corson—who still has some of his men on the Kuwait-Iraqi border—is wearing a ribbon with the stars and stripes on one side and solid yellow on the other.

"We have lost some Missourian soldiers and there were other soldiers who lost their lives, and I just ask for your continued prayers and support," Corson said.

Geography/Geology department chair Gregory Haddock said while Corson won't start teaching again until the fall trimester, he said it's exciting just to have him back in town.

Those feelings were shared by Corson's students too, as geography and geology major Diana Schnarrenberger presented him with a set of posters. One poster illustrated a group of soldiers in a sandy desert with the word, "willpower" bolded beneath it.

"It's absolutely wonderful to know faculty have the courage to serve (U.S. citizens)," Schnarrenberger said. "Some people just talk about it, but this is a real-life example."

For geography major Piper Gibson, taking another class with Corson won't be an option, as she is graduating in May. However, she acknowledges his contributions to the department just the same.

"As far as the department goes, he makes the department," Gibson said. "He's been an integral part of getting people in the University and the ROTC program."



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Mark Corson, assistant professor of geography, awards geology/geography department chair Gregory Haddock a medal during Tuesday's welcoming reception. Haddock accepted the medal on behalf of the department, as everyone in the department had to fill in for Corson's classes while he was deployed.

University Events

Thurs.	8	■ Peer Education meetings/training
Fri.	9	■ Good Friday
Sat.	10	■ RHA: Highway cleanup, 11 a.m. ■ Northwest Dance Company Spring Dance Show, 7:30 p.m. MLA
Sun.	11	■ Easter ■ Sunday Night Church, Union Ballroom, 9 p.m.
Mon.	12	■ Pizza Pow-Wow, Planning Meeting, 5:30 p.m., 3rd Floor Union Room E
Tues.	13	■ Taco Tuesday, 5 p.m. close, Taco John's
Wed.	14	■ IM golf meet, 1 p.m.

Student Senate committee to present constitution proposal

By SARAH SWEDBERG
CHIEF REPORTER

The nature of Student Senate's meetings and structure could change with a new constitution proposal to be presented next Tuesday.

Student Senate's governmental affairs committee has taken Student Senator Leon Harden's resolution for the addition of a judicial branch to Senate and transformed it into a proposal that creates executive and

legislative branches.

"We're working toward better organizing Student Senate to become more efficient," said Eric Willis, Student Senate governmental affairs chair.

Harden said much of the new constitution's composition mirrors the current document, but the difference is that members would appoint a Speaker of Senate. Therefore, the president would have the ability to speak on issues at meetings instead of chairing them and

remaining silent.

Willis said the new constitution is in preliminary stages, and students have the opportunity to look at the document after it has been introduced to Student Senate.

Senate members and students could vote on the measure next fall, after the governmental affairs committee finalizes its proposal this spring.

A year ago, Senate received a new constitution proposal from former Senators John Lakebrink

and Ryan Bauer. However, the proposal failed after a vote by the student body.

Willis said under this year's new constitution proposal, the changes would strengthen the Senate.

"In my opinion, if something isn't running as good or as efficient as it could be, then it needs to be fixed," Willis said. "These changes will make the constitution better and Student Senate better."

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Student publications received the following awards at the MCMA convention in St. Louis and the CMA convention in New York City.

The Northwest Missourian
2nd-Best Overall Newspaper

1st Place
Betsy Lee-Feature Page Design
Matt Frye-Information Graphic

2nd Place
Betsy Lee-Feature Page Design
Betsy Lee-Feature Writing

3rd Place
Cole Young-Sports Page Design
Clark Grell-Sports Page Design
Matt Frye-Story Illustration
Stephanie Suckow-News Writing

Honorable Mention
Matt Frye-Story Illustration
Cole Young-Sports Column
Matt Frye-Sports Photography
Betsy Lee-Feature Page Design
Abby Simons-Regular Column

Abby Simons-Editorial Writing
Betsy Lee-In-Depth News Reporting

Tower Yearbook
1st Place

Overall Theme Development
Melissa Galitz-Portrait Design
Melik Ercanli-Portrait Design
Melissa Galitz-Sports Design
Melik Ercanli-Sports Design
Betsy Lee-Personality Sketch
Melissa Galitz-Feature Writing
Matt Frye-Sports Photography

2nd Place
Betsy Lee-Feature Writing
Melik Ercanli-Student Life Design
Melissa Galitz-Student Life Design
Betsy Lee-Feature Writing
Matt Frye-Sports Photography
Matt Frye-Feature Photography

Student Publications
Advisor Laura Widmer was honored with the Richard Carlson Hall of Fame award, presented by the Missouri College Media Association. The award honors outstanding advisors who have served 20 years or more.

Tower Yearbook was also awarded the Silver Crown in March at the College Media Advisers convention in New York City. The Silver Crown places Tower in the top two percent of all college yearbooks throughout the nation.

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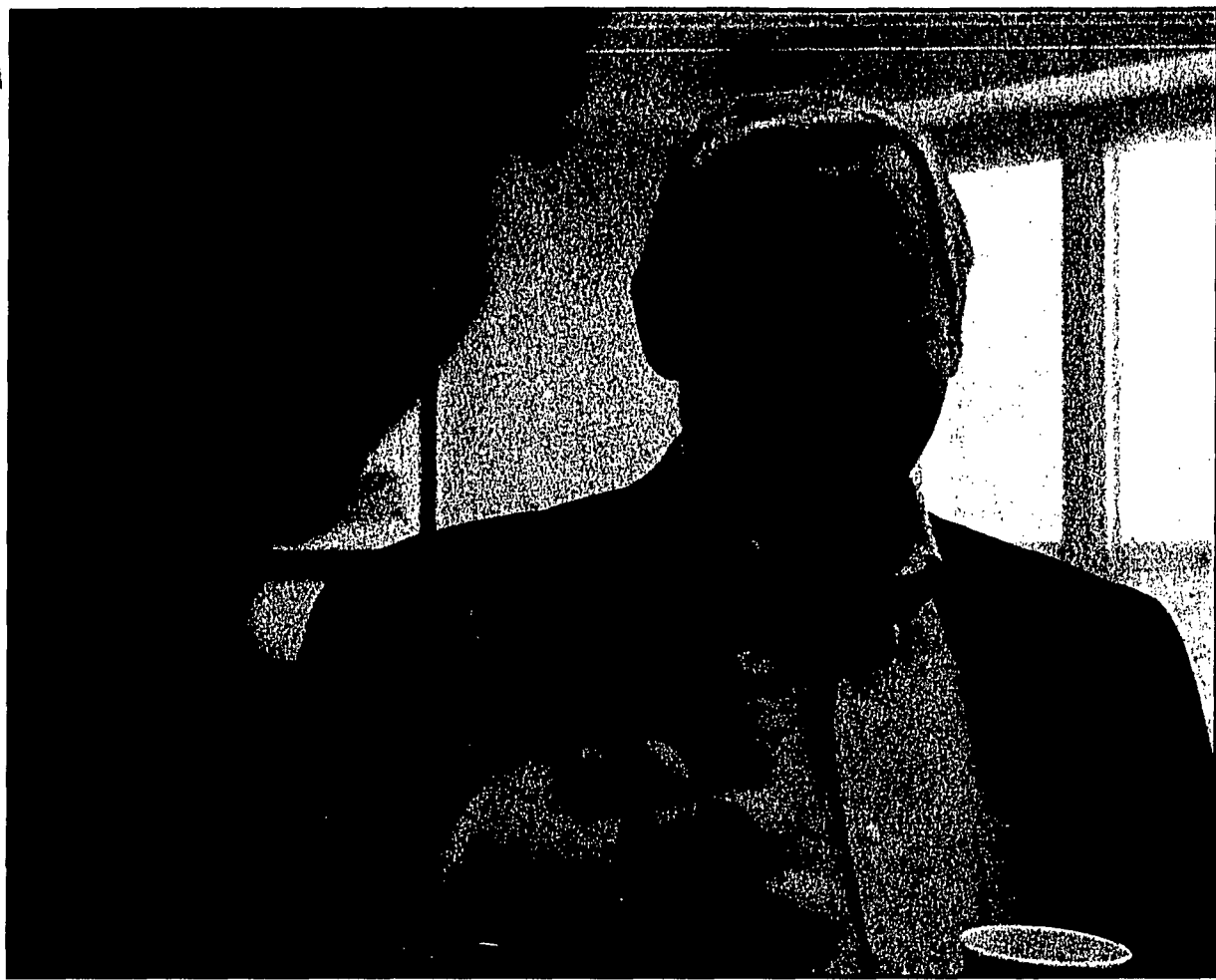
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Charlie Broomfield, Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress, visits with Young Democrats member Christine Campbell yesterday at the J.W. Jones Student Union. Broomfield spent the day campaigning throughout Maryville.

PHOTO BY ABBY SIMONS/EDITOR IN CHIEF

Congressional hopeful visits Maryville to tout campaign ideas

By STEPHANIE STANGL
CHIEF REPORTER

A former teacher, judge and commissioner, one Kansas City man aspires once again to enter politics.

While campaigning in Maryville, Charlie Broomfield, the sole Democratic candidate attempting to unseat Republican Rep. Sam Graves from the Missouri 6th Congressional District in House of Representatives, visited Northwest Wednesday to answer student questions and listen to concerns.

Broomfield feels he should be elected because he would handle the issues far differently from Graves.

"Mr. Graves is a straight party line voter. He votes strictly with and for the Republican Party," Broomfield said. "In my opinion, a congressman ought to be interested in representing the people, whether they are Democrats, Republicans or Independents."

Elizabeth Sexton, president of the Young Democrats organization at

Northwest, also believes that Broomfield is the right person for the job.

"The more I learn about him, the more positive I am that he should be elected," Sexton said. "I don't think Sam Graves has shown enough to the community. With Broomfield I see a lot of straight talk and true concern."

Among those concerns is Operation Iraqi Freedom, something Broomfield would like to see come to a halt.

"It appears to me that the planning and the decisions made to go into war were not based on solid facts," Broomfield said. "We need to find a graceful way to extract ourselves from this situation."

Broomfield also wants fundamental change in the way Congress is run.

"I don't like all the secrecy that's going on in our government," Broomfield said. "We are a free society and I think that we the people have a right to know what's going on behind the scenes."

Though adamant now, Broomfield says his dream of being an U.S. Con-

gressman has wavered over the years.

"When I was about 19 years old I thought I wanted to be a U.S. Congressman. I eventually ran for this seat twice many years ago," Broomfield said. "I then went through a period in which I wasn't particularly interested in the business. However, after reading the newspaper every morning, I became so concerned about the condition of our country that I decided that someone needs to step up to the plate and go to Washington in order to straighten some of these things out."

Sexton feels student and community participation in such events is of high importance.

"I think any opportunity that students and members of the community can come out and make an educated vote because they were able to meet their candidate is crucial," Sexton said. "It's our choice to be informed voters. Broomfield coming here today gave people that choice."

City Council awaits report from Texas-based company

Revitalization Task Force will receive information to help guide economic development

By STEPHANIE STANGL
CHIEF REPORTER

Members of the Maryville City Council know that two heads are better than one.

Recently, the council put that wisdom into action.

Buxton, a Texas-based corporation, will help to identify customers in Maryville to bring busi-

nesses to the city that fit with their wants and needs.

According to Matt Chesnut, Maryville city manager, Buxton's efforts, in conjunction with the ongoing Maryville Revitalization Task Force project, will hopefully improve the overall economic atmosphere of the city.

"Revitalization is more of fixing what we have with beautification efforts," Chesnut said. "Buxton will also help with business, attraction and retention. Through both of these we want to create a viable economic trade center to the northwest Missouri area."

City Council members chose

three sites that were believed to have great retail potential. From that information, Buxton used a two-phase program called CommunityID, which utilized data such as traffic counts, property value and population to determine which site the town ought to focus on.

"We take a look at sites that the city suggests and then we make recommendations from among those sites," said Mike Rosa, senior vice president of operations for Buxton. "We make our decision on the overall basis of what makes the most sense for retail expansion."

The first phase is used to measure the community's overall abil-

ity to recruit new retailers and restaurants, while phase two matches the positive characteristics of the analyzed trade area to potential firms that would thrive in this area.

Chesnut said that the city will take this information to either prospective businesses or current business owners that want to expand their product lines.

"What we are looking for is businesses that fit the shopping, entertainment and lifestyle needs of residents," Chesnut said. "This should keep residents from driving to other towns, without putting out of business what we already have."

CommunityID also outlines the services and products that could be offered in Maryville that have high retail trade potential.

According to Chesnut, the \$50-\$60,000 cost of Buxton's service was a great investment. He predicts that the cost of the project will be covered by sales tax revenue from new businesses that come to town.

"The information we received just in phase one was worth the money that was spent," Chesnut said. "To do these types of projects aren't cheap—we knew that going in, but we also knew that we needed to spend this money to get the information we need to attract new retailers."

Correction

In the March 18 Northwest Missourian story "Smallpox vaccine offered to Missouri's first responders" Don Pickard, Risk Communications Officer for Public Health Preparedness in the Missouri Health Department, was incorrectly quoted as saying

"I took the vaccine because it's not a matter of if smallpox will strike, but more of a matter of when."

Pickard's actual quote was "I took the vaccine to be ready in case it's smallpox that is used. It could be smallpox, it could be anthrax, it could be a dirty bomb. No one knows. It's not a matter of if terrorists strike, it's a matter of when. If they use smallpox, I'll be ahead of the curve and be better prepared to help my community."

The Northwest Missourian apologizes for the error.

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A construction worker begins work with a bulldozer on the Maryville High School's campus Wednesday afternoon. School officials hope to have the entire project completed by Feb. 1, 2005.

High School construction begins

By JARED HOFFMANN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A mammoth construction process is currently underway to revitalize and expand Maryville High School.

Construction crews that broke ground in March are taking the initial steps in expanding the west side of the building. The project will consume what is left of the \$7.35 million bond that was passed last April. A portion of the bond money has already been used to refurbish the track as well as put a new roof on the main building.

Included in the construction process are plans to overhaul the school's cafeteria, add classrooms, double the size of the media center and connect the technical school to the main building.

Principal Ron Landherr believes an updated facility has been greatly needed.

"It's overdue," Landherr said. "The building has probably been undersize from the time it was built. Our students have to go over to the tech school because the high school isn't big enough."

According to Landherr, the entire process is set to be completed by Feb. 1, 2005 but one short-term goal is to have the school's media center refurbished by the beginning of next school year.

"We're going to have to move everything out of the library as soon as school gets out, double its size and then put everything back together," Landherr said. "We won't have any place for books and shelves to sit when school starts, so we're going to try and focus on that."

Guidance Counselor Roy Shields is one faculty member who sees the revitalization of the school as a benefit to students.

"The students not having to go

outside between the two buildings is going to be a great benefit," Shields said. "Plus, it will give them more room in the commons area where they can have dances and things like that."

Assistant Superintendent John Zeliff said he believes the construction process is addressing the most important issues of the school.

"It's about meeting our educational needs," Zeliff said. "We've used a lot of input from the community and from our staff to hone in on what our most urgent needs are."

While many current needs are being met by the construction process, Zeliff hopes that more revitalizations can be made down the road.

"We have a list of needs that are greater than what we were able to meet," Zeliff said. "We are meeting our current educational needs and hopefully more in the future."

Board begins superintendent search

By SARAH SWEDBERG
CHIEF REPORTER

The next Maryville R-II School District superintendent will not only have to communicate well with patrons, but the individual will need to concentrate on the road ahead.

"We need someone who will be able to help us turn a page," Board of Education member Melinda Fulton said.

Board members agreed Monday night during a special work meeting that many of the issues dealing with personnel, facility renovations and additions and state budget shortfalls have challenged the school district this year. Many personnel issues such as a teacher's alleged inappropriate relationship with a student and the death of Eugene Field Elementary School's office manager have hit the school district hard, but Fulton said those issues were out of the board's control.

But the board members felt that the new superintendent's goals for

the first year include completing facility projects and meeting the financial needs among the current personnel issues challenging the district.

However, the new superintendent will already have a budget for the next school year to tweak.

With less than five months to search for a new leader, the Board of Education has hired and paid the Missouri School Board Association \$4,000 to assist in its search.

"We hope to provide them candidates that meet the profile that the board and community has set," said Paul Ricker, MSBA superintendent search consultant. "Then we hope that when they're employed, they'll be successful in this community and school district."

Board of Education Vice President Mark Jelavich said the board requested MSBA's assistance because of its expertise. He also said the superintendent search would be difficult if the board did it by themselves.

After approving Reese's resignation March 23, the Board of Edu-

cation hopes that MSBA will assist in providing the best candidate for the position.

"If things work out, hopefully we will have three to four candidates to select from," Jelavich said.

Applicants have until April 16 to apply for the superintendent position. Then the board members will meet again April 28 with Ricker to screen the candidate pool. By the end of May, they hope to select a new superintendent whose contract will begin July 1.

Boyles said throughout this search, parents, students and faculty alike can be involved by expressing their opinions and concerns to one of the seven board members. He also said patrons can expect them to spend the time to find the best candidate.

"We are not going to rush through this," Board of Education President David Boyles said. "We want to make sure that we hire a superintendent that the whole community is proud of."

Eugene Field Elementary welcomes new member

By JESSICA SWARTZ
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Eugene Field Elementary School will continue to see changes in leadership positions in the school year to come.

As Assistant Principal Steve Klotz steps into retiring David Weichinger's role as principal, Kenneth Upham Jr. is now prepared to take over for Klotz.

"I love teaching," Upham said. "There's something new every day. Children genuinely want to learn and that keeps me coming back." He currently works as a sixth grade teacher in Gardner, Kan.

Upham began student teaching while attending Emporia State University. In the four years since his graduation he has taught at elementary schools in both Kansas and Missouri.

"The interview committee felt that Mr. Upham's personality and experience were key components in his selection," Klotz said. "Upham has a very solid knowledge base and his approach to student discipline and knowledge of

instructional practice are very good."

According to the Maryville School District, Upham had been very active in the development of curriculum at the school in Belton, Mo., when he taught there. Upham addressed the strengths and weaknesses of curriculum and relayed them to teachers.

Upham holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education and currently continues his own education pursuing a master's degree in educational administration at Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kan.

Upham and his wife Deanna have already begun searching for a new home as they prepare to leave Kansas City.

"My wife and I are looking forward to moving to Maryville and becoming part of the community," Upham said. "The combination of small-town atmosphere and an administrative position is what we want. This will work for us."

Jessica Swartz can be contacted at 562-1224 or jswartz@missourianonline.com

Community events

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Fri. 9 ■ Good Friday
■ Book Fair, 7 a.m.-2 p.m., St. Francis Hospital

Sat. 10 ■ Easter Vigil, 9 p.m., St. Gregory's Church

Sun. 11 ■ Easter Sunday

Mon. 12 ■ Walk On Your Wild Side Day

Tues. 13 ■ Senior Pitch Tournament, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Maryville Community Building

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Our View Give it time

While Northwest's newest enrollment system, 'CatPAWS, at first appears frustrating, the benefits are immense

When students recently began logging on to enroll for the fall trimester, they noticed a few changes in the way they went about the entire process.

Instead of using WebSTAR to register online, students must now enroll for classes using 'CatPAWS. And, judging by the amount of grumbling complaints heard throughout campus, the change has not been well-received by students and faculty alike.

There have been complaints from students attempting to enroll, saying that, with 'CatPAWS, registration takes too long and is much too complicated. Others say the minimum three passcodes needed to enroll for classes carries a burden of complication each time a student logs on.

Our suggestion when it comes to working your way around 'CatPAWS: give it time.

For most, it has been less than a decade since they slogged through a computer's technical jargon and dialogue boxes, attempting to decode the Internet, let alone attempting to send e-mail.

These days, it's merely second nature to get on a computer at any free moment to check for new e-mails, as well as browse several Web sites.

And contrary to popular belief, 'CatPAWS will be the same. Once we get the hang of it, it'll be as simple as WebSTAR once was, but with added features that will be appreciated by virtually any student. Once the enigma that is enrolling for classes is completed, 'CatPAWS users will be pleasantly surprised by such features as a planner and scheduler or the ability to update your home and local addresses without bearing the registrar's wrath.

Another area of complaint from students is that the program is too complicated. We at *The Missourian* ask this, do you need to be helped in the same way we help our grandmothers program their VCR clocks?

Anytime there is change, there is bound to be a time period where not everyone understands the program. In this case it has been the past few weeks of fall registration. And the mass confusion is understandable.

However, next fall when students prepare for the spring trimester, odds are there will still be a small amount of confusion. But once this semester's initial shock ends, things are bound to improve.

Granted, despite our pleas for patience, the University could have taken measures to make the transition far easier for students. Considering the near-seven figures paid for the program (during a budget crisis, no less) perhaps the CITE office could have offered several well-publicized sessions to aid students in becoming more familiar with 'CatPAWS. Then again, student participation in—well, just about anything—is laughable at best.

For instance, Northwest has held countless forums for students to express their views on the possible UM system merger, most of them bringing in 15-20 students. How many would have shown up to learn how to register with 'CatPAWS? Seven? Eight?

Despite the groaning and complaining of the students unable to decode the complex computer system, the University certainly won't be changing the system any time soon. The only solution is to simply be patient and give the program a chance to show what it can do.

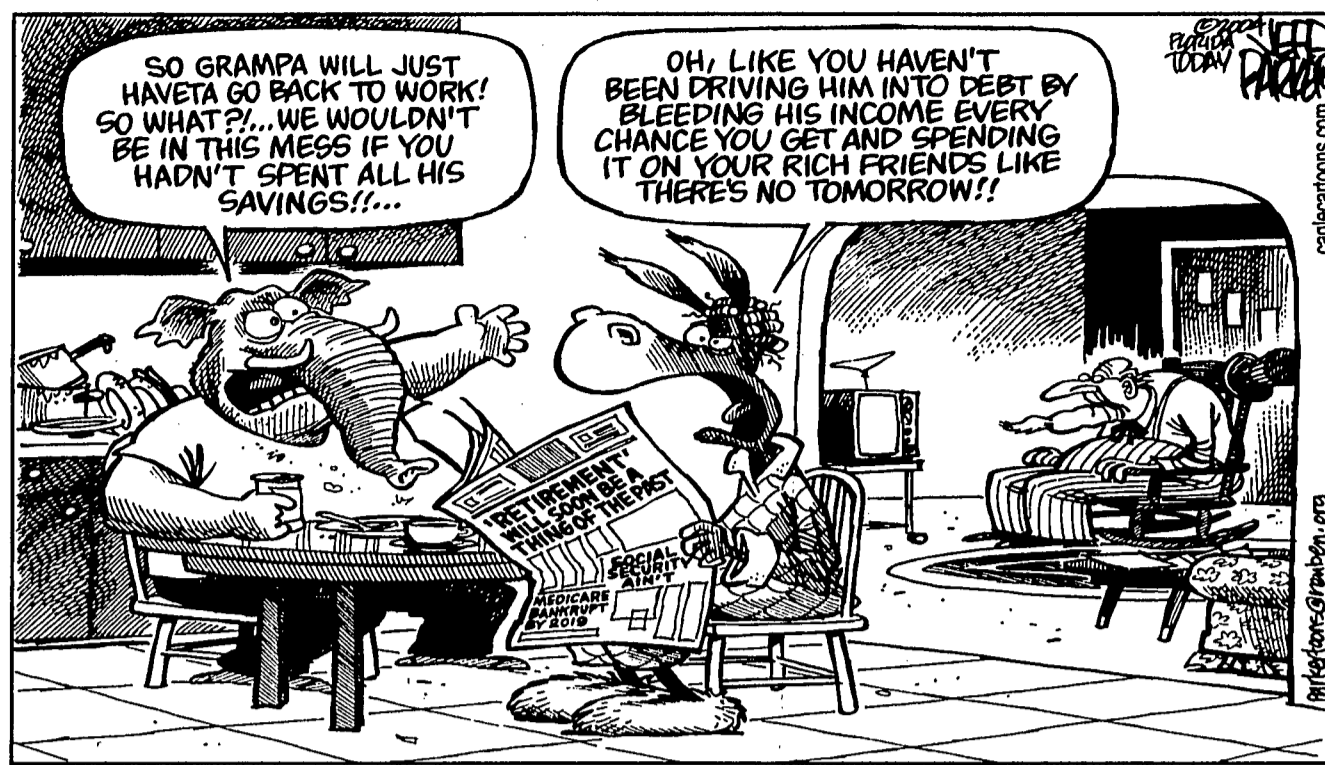


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"Why does my roommate like all of my stuff better than she likes her own stuff?"

"I enjoyed Abby Simons' editorial in (the April 1) paper and would encourage her, if she's concerned with the Maryville School District, to check into why they felt the need to hire a new administrator who is neither certified in the state of Missouri or has even finished their graduate degree."

Editor's note: Kenneth Upham has taught in both Kansas and Missouri schools.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Political debate should focus on serious issues

Recently, the subject of gay marriage has commanded the attention of many Americans, newspapers, talk shows and other media outlets. George W. Bush has even hinted at proposing a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage to protect the sanctity of marriage. Perhaps President Bush has been living under a rock for the past 10 years, or maybe that is just Texas, but there isn't anything left to preserve when marriage is the topic.

Personally, I don't understand how the American public can be so politically shortsighted to let demagogues like President Bush distract us from issues that should actually be important. First off, the institution of marriage violates most of the secular principles that this country was founded on. Would Americans allow the government to give tax breaks to individuals who attend church every Sunday? I think not, and essentially our government gives an economic incentive to participate in a religious ceremony when marriage is concerned. Regardless, Americans choose to argue over whether homosexuals should be allowed to participate in a ceremony that

seems to violate the basic principles of separation of church and state anyway. Personally, I don't care because there is more important stuff going on in this country to waste time bickering about petty moral issues.

The important stuff: Does anybody remember the last time we actually had a balanced budget? If you do, your memory is good. John F. Kennedy was in office and we were sending people to the moon. Bill Clinton touted to have a budget surplus one year, but someone forgot to mention to Slick Willy that the social security lockbox that our presidents dip into for supplemental spending doesn't count toward surpluses since it is going to be spent, so he technically didn't have a surplus. Last year the Bush administration and Congress' deficit spending spree tallied about \$500 billion and currently the national debt is more than \$7 trillion. All the while, President Bush is touting how important the economy is in his interviews for CNN and C-SPAN. G.W. must have been sleeping in economics class at Yale or maybe he is taking advice

from his father if he thinks his policy of lowering taxes and spending out of control is helping the economy.

Year after year we let our presidents spend our money out of control to the point where we are now paying about 19 or 20 percent of our multi-trillion dollar budget on interest alone. Yet, year after year, we re-elect and allow politicians to continue to waste our money. If Americans would get real about political dialogue instead of concentrating on petty issues, perhaps we could change this trend. Remember, someday the debt issue will probably be a real problem and all the politicians that put us in that position are still going to have the best retirement plans in America. Fiscal responsibility is no joke and Americans need to either open their eyes or start caring. If that were the case, maybe President Bush would be proposing a constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget, not one banning gay marriage.

**TOMMY BAILEY
POLITICAL SCIENCE**

End of gay marriage argument lies within Constitution

The right for same-sex partners to marry has caused quite a stir in this country. George W. Bush has called for a Constitutional ban on gay marriage stating that marriage is a traditional and sacred union between man and woman. He has denounced the court system and political leaders disagreeing with his views as being "rogue."

Protecting American family values and the American way of life are not new concepts. Our country has vowed to protect American families since the ringing out of the Declaration of Independence. This vow should never undermine, belittle or deny Constitutional rights to this country's citizenry; a practice, unfortunately, regularly adhered to in this country. We protected American families and the American way of life by enslaving the blacks, denying their freedom and treating them as "less than human." We used this line of reasoning to justify the imprisonment of Japanese Americans and others of Asian descent during World War II (why not those of German descent)? We also used this excuse in repeated attempts to annihilate Native Americans through enculturation practices, the giving of smallpox infected blankets (biological warfare) and the denial of religious practices enforced by the Department of the Interior as late as the 1940s.

Our country consists of a beautiful mixture of racial, religious and ethnic backgrounds. By favoring one group's beliefs over another's, you, Mr. President, are in direct violation of the United States Constitution, a document you swore to "preserve, protect and defend" as stated under Clause 8 of Article II, Section 1 of the U. S. Constitution.

The denial of same-sex marriage, with all accompanied legal rights contained therein, to gay partners denies homosexual American citizens the same Constitutional rights available to heterosexual American citizens. The first clause of Article 4, Section 2 of the U. S. Constitution states, "The Citizens of each state shall be entitled to all Privileges and Immunities of Citizens in the several states" (the original states ratifying the Constitution). Article 4 does not include a sexual preference clause. Consequently, denying marriage with all attached legal rights is a Constitutional violation of civil rights.

The First Amendment of the U. S. Constitution says there *will be* a separation of church and state and that our government shall make no law prohibiting the free exercise of religion within this country. Even though George W. Bush enjoys his right to "free speech" by suggesting to Americans that he is a devout Christian and openly supports Christian

ideals, he is also in violation of "Separation of Church and State" because he favors one set of religious beliefs over all others while acting as a representative of the U. S. Government. Bush's definition of marriage is based upon his religious beliefs and when used as a basis for a Constitutional amendment banning gay marriage, is unconstitutional under the First Amendment as it denies both freedom of religious practice and ignores separation of church and state. By defining marriage as that between a man and a woman, Bush denies Freedom of Religious practice to many non-Christian and Christian citizens within this country. Many liberal-based Christian churches such as the MCC and Earth-based religions such as Wicca allow and recognize same-sex marriage. A Constitutional ban and the continued denial of same-sex marriage are direct violations of the U. S. Constitution under Article IV and the First Amendment.

Our country is quick to accuse other countries of denying their citizens civil rights, a point often used to help justify war or sanctions, but what about Constitutional rights denied to American citizens?

**DAWN FROST
TALLAHASSEE, FLA.**

YOUR VIEW

What do you do to beat Spring Fever?



"Lots of fishing and barbecue grilling."

**Brad Fullbright
Geography**



"I start wearing skirts and bring out the tank tops."

**Kristin Baker
Merchandising**



"I spend as much time outdoors as I can."

**Amy Andrews
Business Management**



"I try to stay focused on my school work and try not to go out too much, but I'm not really beating it that well. I also try to find friends to stay in with me and study."

**Anna Ashbacher
Industrial Psychology**



"Fishing with my boy, Fat Dip, and partying."

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"I eat ice cream with my friends, sit outside and go for walks."

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Steroid testing forces college baseball teams to clean up act

believed players were using steroids, Schwarz was indecisive.

"I am not sure," Schwarz said. "There are some pretty big individuals especially in D-II. But they're not guys that are abnormally big and just tearing the cover off the ball. A lot of the guys I've seen are basically just good hitters."

Loe was also not sure about usage among collegiate athletes, but said it could be possible.

"I obviously hope it is not a prevalent thing," Loe said. "But if somebody knows they're not going to be tested, people are going to take a chance and hopefully not be the guy tested in the postseason."

The coach has spent his life in baseball, so he has an interest in

the steroid debate. He knows the power of the Major League Baseball Labor Union and how things will have to change in that union before steroid testing changes.

Loe spent three years as a pitcher in the Seattle Mariners organization in the late '80s and early '90s. The 26th round draft pick spent three years in the minors and although he never directly saw anyone using steroids, he said it was safe to assume players were using them.

"I think that was just the start of things," Loe said. "I think you still had the tall, lean players. You didn't see the huge guys with the tremendous muscle mass."

Anabolic steroids can have harmful effects on the body, ac-

cording to the Web site WebMD.

The site lists effects as shrinking of the testicles, reduced sperm count, infertility, baldness, development of breasts and increased risk for prostate cancer.

Some people would argue that the tremendous muscle mass can come from other ways. Natural supplements are one of the advantages players are using now to put on muscle mass, Schwarz said.

"I've taken so many supplements that have been legal and I've gotten bigger off of them," Schwarz said. "With protein, eating healthy and lifting, I think guys can get bigger. I think they are good for people. They make you stronger and make you feel healthier. Protein is part of your diet anyway."

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Provost leaves Northwest to return to Air Force Academy

my current department with some very important personnel decisions," Frucht said.

Frank Veeman, interim dean of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, says he enjoyed working with Barnes, but it's another situation where people move on.

"He's worked well with all the colleges within the University as well as with state organizations," Veeman said. "We'll miss him and we'll look forward to the next provost."

Barnes received his masters' degree in geography from the University of Missouri-Columbia and joined the military intelligence division of the Air Force in 1970.

"I used my geographical skills in air photo interpretation and remote sensing to analyze military and civilian data that might be important to national security," Barnes said.

Barnes made many temporary duty assignments across the world, including working at the Pentagon as a policy analyst.

During his military career the Air Force selected Barnes to pursue his doctoral degree in geography.

After receiving his doctoral degree from the University of Illinois in 1981, Barnes moved to Colorado Springs and joined the faculty of the Air Force Academy.

Barnes served in the Air Force for more than 20 years. Majority of his career was spent as a professor at the Air Force Academy.

Barnes retired from the Air Force in 1991 and joined the Northwest faculty in January 1992. Since joining Northwest Barnes has served as associate professor, department chair, dean of the College of Art and Sciences and provost. He has used his experience with the Air Force to help make strategic contributions to Northwest.

"I truly appreciate the opportunities Northwest has given me," Barnes said. "I'm very lucky to have had this experience and it's bittersweet leaving."

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Polk Township residents fail to pass tax levy by 12 votes

And although disappointed, Fisher has no remorse about the results.

"That's the system that we work with, so there's no crying in our milk, that's the way it is," he said. "We proposed a plan a couple of times and both times the voters said no and that's who we work for."

Another issue decided Tuesday was who would fill the two open spots on the Maryville R-II Board of Education. Incumbent Mark Jelavich garnered the most votes with 953. The second open spot went to current Board President David Boyles, who narrowly defeated Edward Seipel by 51 votes.

The Maryville City Council also officially welcomed newcomer Chad Jackson, who will take over for resigning

councilman Brian Twaddle, who stepped down after moving outside city limits. Jackson will be sworn in at Monday's council meeting following the approval of the last meeting's minutes.

"I'm definitely excited," Jackson said. "I'm looking forward to continue to put things in place to help improve our community and participate in those decisions and hear from community members."

Jackson said he has been following council events by attending meetings and is anxious to get started. And although he expressed his support for the city's revitalization project, Jackson did voice some concerns on how the project will ultimately be financed.

"I think (revitalization) is a great

thing," he said. "We need to improve the look of our community and make it more inviting. However, I'm concerned about how we are going to finance it because I know that it's going to take quite a bit of finances, so I think we need to sit down and take a look at that. It's great and I think we need it."

Councilwoman Carol Coutts also retained her seat on the council.

Tuesday's election garnered a 26 percent voter turnout with 3,521 of the 13,430 eligible voters in Nodaway County casting a ballot.

A voter verification group will finalize the results today by conducting a hand count.

Spring's in full bloom



A magnolia tree blooms rapidly outside President Hubbard's home showing that spring is in full swing. With weather in the 70s all week, students have been found outside playing frisbee, studying by Colden Pond and also running.

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U.S. highways scheduled to be renovated with passing of bill

Both projects have been allocated \$3 million each. Graves said the bill is significant because it allots \$318 million on top of what has been already mandated for Missouri's roads. Graves also said he personally lobbied for about \$45 million in projects similar to Highway 71 and U.S. 136 for northwest Missouri.

But according to Wright, the \$3 million for Highway 71 will not be enough to finish the project.

"Three million dollars will not complete the entire project, but it will help us move the project forward," she said. "We're excited Congressman Graves has been able to have a portion of that

money dedicated to that project, but a lot of additional decisions will have to be made."

Wright said that MoDOT will discuss with community leaders in the area how to complete the finances. She said it's hard to make conclusive plans without knowing exactly how much money they'll have to deal with.

"These are projects that have been identified as definite needs for northwest Missouri," Wright said. "But for us to be able to exactly determine what we'll be able to do, we need to have specific knowledge of how much money will be dedicated to these projects and that will help us determine how to best

use that money to serve the public." Graves hopes the projects will also help economic aspects of the area and help the city of Maryville to grow.

"It's going to have a big impact (economically) because infrastructure is what it's all about," he said. "We have to have good infrastructure to attract businesses and folks into our communities and we certainly want to have good roads. (MoDOT) has been doing a great job working with us when it comes to putting these projects together and the priorities. We're having some funding issues on the state level and hopefully this is going to be a huge help."

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Questions about merger continue to be expressed by students

there's still a long way to go in the process," Porterfield said. "Just because you introduced a bill doesn't mean it's a done deal. There's still a lot of work to be done."

With nearly three weeks remaining in the legislative session, merger talks may be postponed until next session. In doing so, both the Board of Regents and the UM system's Board of Curators will need to decide whether to continue merger talks. Bills will also have to be reintroduced in the Senate and the House.

The Board of Regents adjourned from Monday's meeting without discussing the

merger in great lengths. However, Regent Lydia Hurst says it is now the hands of the legislators.

"I think both of our legislators are keeping (student vote) numbers in the forefront," Hurst said. "It helps to get feedback. I hope my fellow regents look at those numbers closely, because I know I do."

While talks in Jefferson City continue, Dix is pursuing a conference with university student senate presidents throughout the UM system in the second week of May.

"Because of graduation and because we're on a trimester schedule, we won't be in session," Dix said. "I've had confirmation from senators that they will be here, so I think it will work out fine."

Student Regent Stephen Terry also said Faculty Senate will be conducting a new survey to gauge their opinions.

Overall, Porterfield said only time will tell what direction the merger will go.

"It's left to the legislators," he said. "People decide for themselves, but there's still a lot of discussion. All you can do is take it one day at a time."

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HUNTING DOWN THE GREEN

By BETSY LEE
FEATURES EDITOR

On May 2, 2004, 581 Northwest graduates will leave Maryville armed with a bachelor's degree and the confidence that their education will serve them well.

But with 1.37 million college-educated workers entering the job market this year and only 1.28 million college-level jobs available, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, some graduates may be left on the unemployment line.

"Students need to understand that they aren't going to graduate on Saturday and start their first job Monday morning," economy professor Mark Jelavich said. "In this economy the job search is going to take longer."

A recent surge in the job market has some economists claiming the U.S. economy is on the road to recovery. President Bush agrees, routing a 308,000 increase in payrolls in the month of March.

"We are moving in the right direction, but have more to do," Bush said in an Associated Press article. "I will not be satisfied until every American who wants a job can find one."

The optimism of the president is tempered by a recent increase in unemployment numbers. The increase to a 5.7 percent unemployment rate and the recent decline in temporary hires makes claims of an upcoming full recovery a bit difficult to fathom.

"Firms typically hire temporary workers before they hire full-time workers," Jelavich said. "This is especially the case in the manufacturing sector."

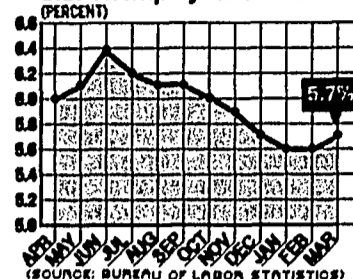
Temporary hires went down 1,800 jobs and the average workweek, another indicator of the pace of the job market, fell to 33.7 hours. Usually a longer workweek is indicative of a demand for labor.

According to the U.S. Labor Department, areas with the highest unemployment rates include a variety of cities in California. For example, Fresno, Calif., currently has an unemployment rate of 15.2 percent. Columbia, Mo., currently tops the list of cities with the lowest unemployment rate at 2.2 percent.

This is good news for Erin Parnell, a graduate who plans to move to Columbia. Although the company she was planning to work for recently came under new management, Parnell remains optimistic about her prospects.

"The status of the job market scares me, that's for sure, but I'm confident that I will be able to find a job," Parnell said.

U.S. Unemployment Rate



Parnell's assurance is well-founded according to Career Services Director Joan Schneider. Schneider said 95 percent of Northwest graduates are employed six months after graduation. In addition, Schneider said she believes the market is growing.

"There is every indication that things are improving," Schneider said. "The exception might be education and that's due to state budgets."

Schneider said the job market is strong in the computer science,

medical service and business fields. However, the key to finding employment is learning how to conduct a successful job search.

"I've had students come in and ask for a list of potential employers in their field, thinking they will just be able to pick a company," Schneider said. "They don't know that it doesn't work that way."

Obtaining a job requires putting together a professional resume, networking with potential employers and perfecting interviewing techniques. The Career Services Center offers a variety of ways for students and alumni to improve their chances of getting an internship or job.

"We believe in teaching students how to do a successful job search," Schneider said. "We help them build the tools that they can use throughout their professional careers."

Career Services will critique resumes and work to hook students up with potential employers. Students registered with the center have a better chance of hearing about jobs.

"When we have someone call about being interested in math majors for example, we can look throughout database and find math majors to contact," Schneider said. "If a math major isn't in our database, they won't hear about the job."

Alumni can also be registered with Career Services for a small fee.

Another service offered by the center is Mock Interview Day. Schneider said every student who participates said they would recommend the experience to their peers.

"The people that come in to interview students are professionals in their field," Schneider said. "They aren't my friends or members of the faculty. We actually prefer to have no one from Maryville."

Taking advantages of tools offered by Career Services can make navigating the difficult job market less of a task. When it comes to getting a job, Schneider has one final tip for upcoming May graduates.

"Get in here," she said.

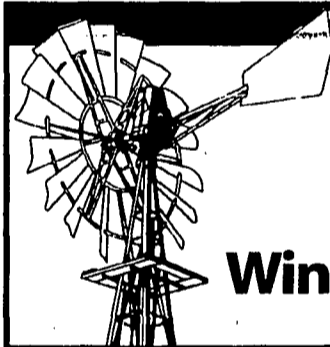
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Early Worship Service Sunday 8:30
Late Service Sunday 10:45

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201 West Third
Easter Service 10:00
Easter Egg Hunt 3:00
Easter Service 7:00
Easter Service 10:00

St. Paul's Episcopal
201 N Main, Maryville
Easter Service 10:00
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'Cats split doubleheader, earn sweep of Southern



Northwest 10, 2
Washburn 3, 5

Up Next:
The Bearcats host Pittsburg State this Friday and Saturday at Bearcat Field

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

After struggling through the middle portion of their schedule, the Bearcat baseball team seems to have found its stride as the squad prepares for the home stretch of the regular season.

Northwest earned a 10-3 win Tuesday in the first game of the MIAA twinbill. The 'Cats jumped out to an early 3-0 lead thanks to a double by designated hitter Tristan Stewart.

The Ichabods were able to get a run back in the bottom of the second, but in the bottom half of the fifth the Northwest offense exploded.

After Matt Coons and Brad Schwarz scored, pinch hitter Kyle Gallagher hit

a three-run shot to left field, scoring John White and Stewart.

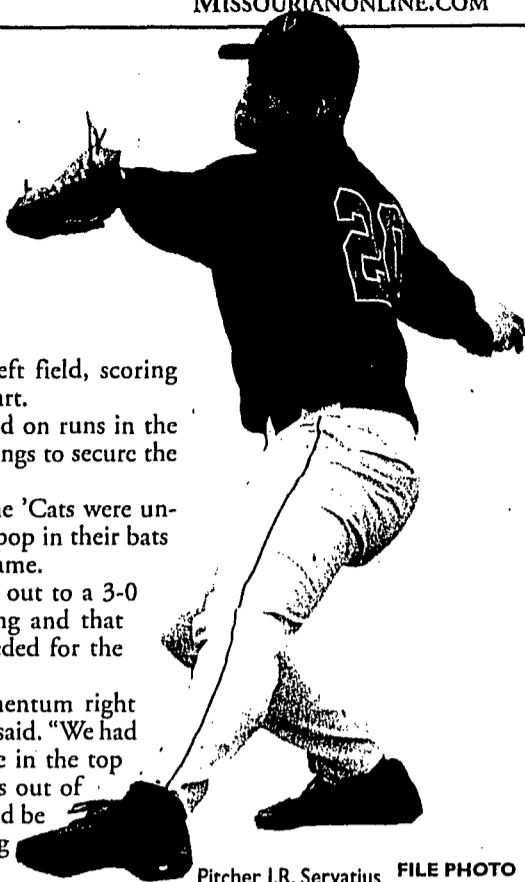
The Bearcats tacked on runs in the sixth and seventh innings to secure the victory.

In the nightcap, the 'Cats were unable to find the same pop in their bats they had in the first game.

Washburn jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning and that would be all they needed for the win.

"We lost the momentum right out of the chute," Loe said. "We had a baserunning mistake in the top of the first that ran us out of what we thought would be a run. We were playing

Please see "Baseball" page 2B



Pitcher J.R. Servatius FILE PHOTO

McCoy hits 2-run shot, Northwest splits at CMSU

By JEROME BOETTCHER
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Trailing by five runs after one inning of play, head softball coach Susan Anderson told her team not to worry.

"I just let them know that it was the first inning, there was a lot of game left," Anderson said. "I was going to be so upset at them if they were just going to roll over and die, because that's not what we're about. (There was) a whole lot of game left and if (Central Missouri) could put five on the board, we had six, seven more innings to do the same thing. I wanted to see the fight in them and that's what they did. It was great

to see that we had that fight and that we wanted that game."

The Lady Bearcats did just that. Thanks to eight unanswered runs, the 'Cats were able to win the first of two games against Central Missouri State on Tuesday, 8-6.

Starting pitcher Shelly MacDonald was able to get over a bumpy start and shut the Mules down until the seventh inning. The Mules were down 8-5 in the seventh when they managed to get two hits and a run off of MacDonald. Relief pitcher Talina Canon staged off a comeback by the Mules to pick up her second save of the season.

"I knew Canon would come in Please see "Bearcats" page 2B



Northwest 8, 0
CMSU 6, 6

Up Next:
Northwest travels to Omaha to play in the University of Nebraska-Omaha tournament this weekend.

'Hounds set school record with 19 base hits

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

Spoofhounds' baseball coach Brian Lohafer knew that a day like Tuesday would eventually come for his squad.

Plagued by lack of practice all season, the team had yet to find any consistent pitching to complement their offense.

In Tuesday's 12-9 victory over Savannah, there appeared to be a light at the end of the tunnel.

"It was a great win for us," Lohafer said. "We finally got the pitching we had been waiting for all year."

The 'Hounds have used 10 different arms already this year, something Lohafer said could help out as the year progresses on.

"If all 10 pitchers can start to get their arms in shape as we go on, we will be alright," Lohafer said.

Against Savannah, Maryville had to use only three pitchers, two of which had solid outings.

Cody Hersh started for the 'Hounds and went three innings giving up five runs on six hits.

Josh Wilmes was called on to relieve Hersh in the fourth, but ran into trouble when he allowed the top three batters in the Savage lineup to reach base.

The junior then gave up a grand slam putting Savannah on top 9-8.

"Josh has only had about two weeks to practice," Lohafer said. "He just got out of basketball and now he is pitching for us. He is one of those guys whose will get better as his arm gets back into shape."

Wilmes made it out of the inning but Hans Plackemeier came in for the fifth inning.

Plackemeier went the last three innings allowing no runs and giving up only one hit.

Offensively, the 'Hounds found

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A Spring Splash

Men finish first in meet,
Women place fifth during
weekend's invitational

By ANDY TIMKO
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Northwest men's track team won their own invitational for the second straight year Saturday.

Despite the windy weather, the Bearcats dominated the opposition by finishing in the top five in 17 of 20 events and scoring 179 points.

"It was a little bit of a surprise because we had a couple people out," head coach Richard Alsup said. "It was a surprise, but boy, what a pleasant surprise."

MIAA rival Pitt State and last year's second place finisher North Dakota State finished 2nd and 3rd with 144 points and 109 points respectively.

The 'Cats were led by first-place finishes from Daniel McKim, Diezeas Calbert and E.J. Faulkner.

McKim used his knowledge about Northwest's throwing field as an advantage and finished first in the shot put and discus throw. He also took second place in the hammer throw.

"I love competing here in Maryville at Northwest," McKim said. "You practice here every day, you know what the surfaces are going to be like and you have a good idea of what the conditions will be like."

Calbert returned to competition after missing most of the indoor season nursing a hamstring injury and won the triple jump with 46 feet 8.25 inches.

"Diezeas is a very good triple jumper and he's going to be consistent, that was a consistent jump for

Northwest Invitational

Men
100m - E.J. Faulkner, 1st, 10.70
200m - E.J. Faulkner, 1st, 21.35
800m - B. Elliott, 2nd, 1:58.89
110h - J. Terry, 2nd, 14.89
4x100R - 2nd, 42.81
4x400R - 1st, 3:22.18
HJ - P. Jordan, 2nd, 6-6
PV - C. McIntosh, 2nd, 15-0
TJ - D. Calbert, 1st, 46-8.25
Shot - D. McKim, 1st, 51-10.50
Discus - D. McKim, 1st, 151-8
Hammer - D. McKim, 2nd, 168-2
Women
100m - A. Samuel, 2nd, 11.92
4x100R - 2nd, 48.14
4x400R - 3rd, 4:07.37
Long Jump - G. Lacy, 3rd, 17-4.25
Shot - K. Scherer, 1st, 40-8.25
Discus - M. Wirt, 1st, 143-3
Hammer - M. Wirt, 1st, 156-6.5

him," Alsup said. "He didn't pop a great one, but he will, probably 48 or 49 feet."

Calbert says he will try to continue to improve his distance so he can be a provisional qualifier or possibly even an automatic qualifier for nationals.

"At practice, I'm getting better and better and farther and farther out there," he said. "A provisional qualifier is 47 (feet) and an automatic is 50 (feet) so I'm trying to get to 48."

Faulkner placed first in the 100- and 200-meter dashes with times that provisionally qualified him for nationals in both events.

First place finishes from Mary Wirt and Katie Scherer helped lead the Northwest women's track team to a fifth place finish over the weekend.

This was the first main outdoor of the event of the season for the 'Cats and Mother Nature dealt out warm temperatures with gusty winds.

According to Alsup, the windy conditions that are common in Maryville can have a big impact on how far a discus will fly.

"The discus is aerodynamic, so if the wind was Please see "Men" page 2B



McKim

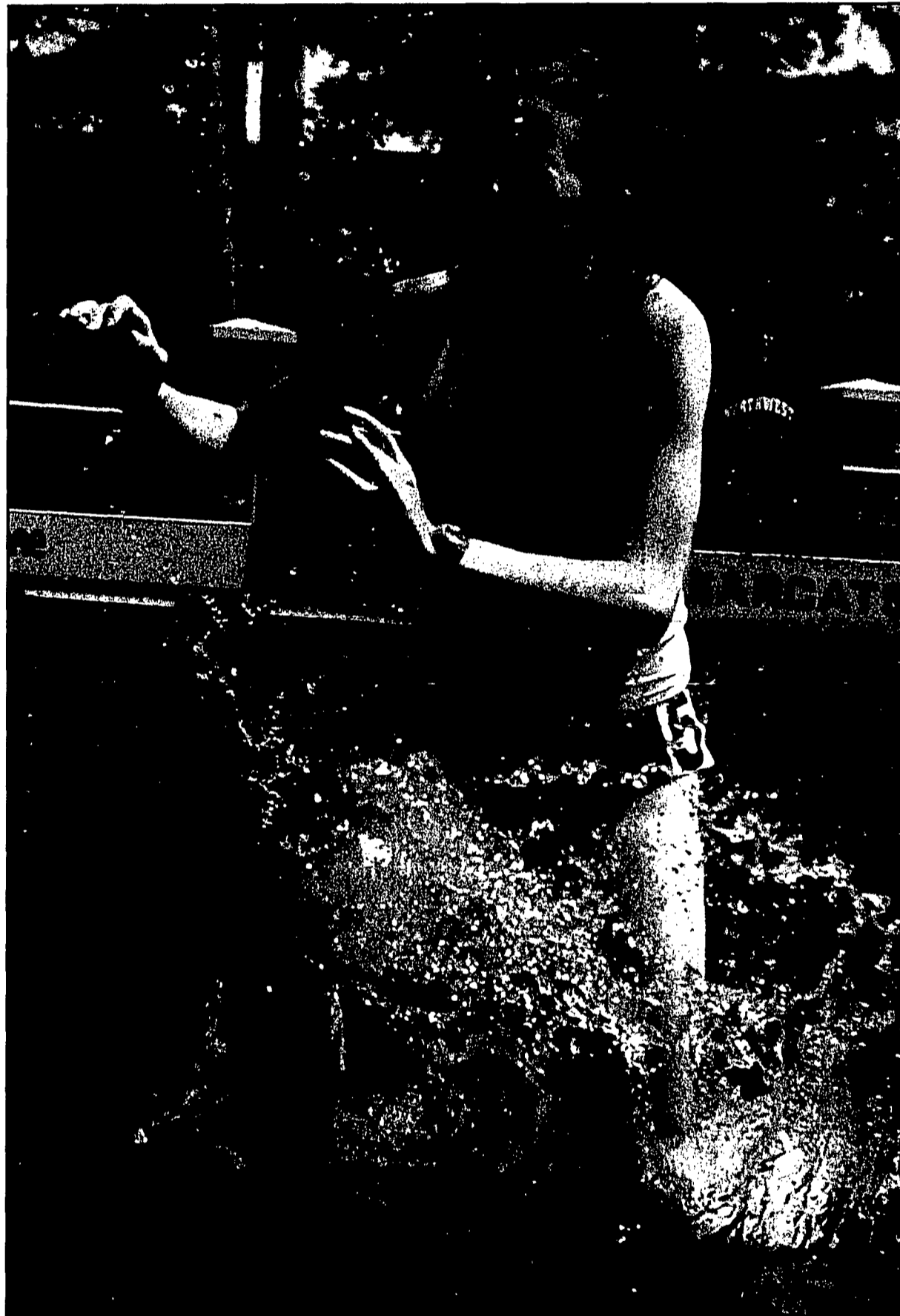


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Sophomore Julie Toebben takes a dip during the 3000-meter steeplechase during Saturday's Northwest Invitational. Toebben and the women's track team finished fifth in the meet while the men's squad earned the title in their division.

Seniors cling to last chance for playoffs

Tysdahl tries to lead by example, hopes to help younger team members

By BILL KNUST
SENIOR REPORTER

Northwest senior linebacker Troy Tysdahl operates with a sense of urgency this season.

He hustles from point A to point B each practice and makes it his priority to help younger players pick up the defensive scheme.

This season's senior class is one of the first in eight years to not experience a deep playoff run or a national championship. He does not want his

career to end that way.

"That's why I came to Northwest," Tysdahl said. "People come here to win championships."

As soon as the holiday break came to an end, the players got together and began their workouts, Tysdahl said. It was a sight that pleased the head coach.

"We're asking more of our seniors," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We want them to take ownership now and take over as soon as the season is over. This is their team and you can't wait until next fall when we play Morehead State out here first game and say, 'Oh wow, now I am fired up.' It doesn't work that way."

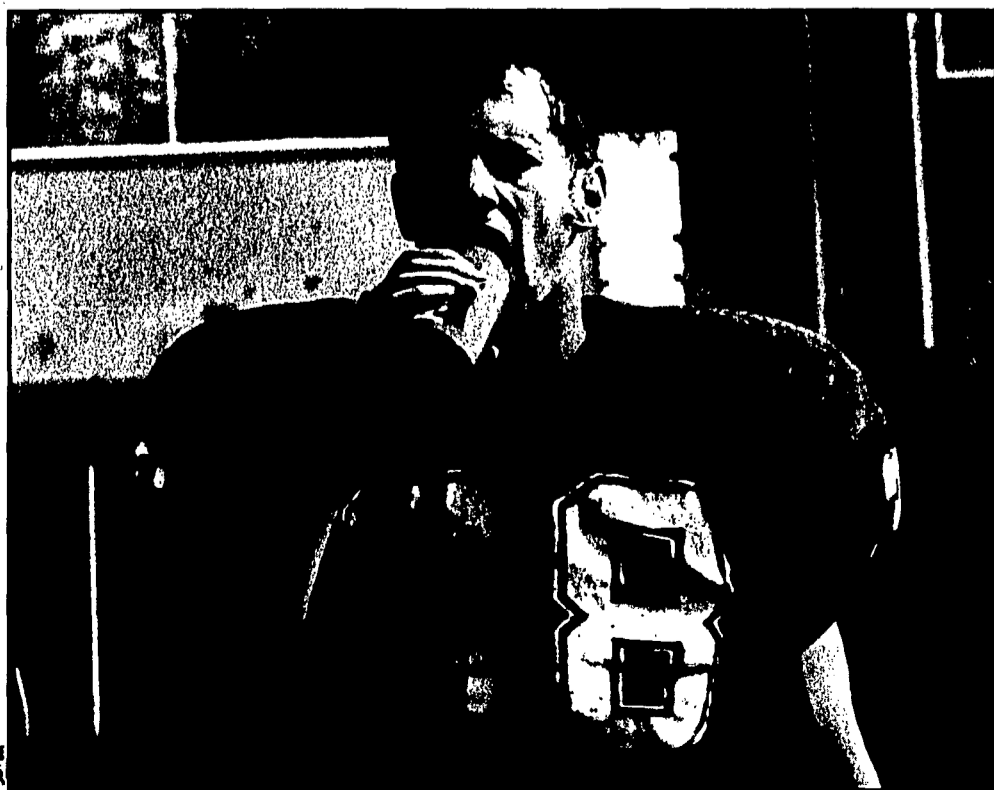
Last season ended with a win in Arrowhead Stadium against Pittsburg State University. The win resulted in a five-way tie for another

MIAA Championship, but it still was not enough for this group of seniors.

"As soon as the season was over it was a little bit of a disappointment, but a lot of excitement because we knew how we could play," Tysdahl said. "We knew what we had coming back and we know how we can play if we put everything together."

The urgency and leadership this year's senior class has shown is not lost on Tjeerdsma.

"We've got 18 or 19 seniors that have shown real good leadership," Tjeerdsma said. "That started right away in the offseason. We did more team stuff and we put a little more emphasis on offseason workouts in the morning, in addition to our weight training. We have done more team agility and more team running than we have done in the past and I think that's really paid off."



Senior Troy Tysdahl takes a water break during spring football practice on Tuesday. The linebacker has been looked to more and more this year as a leader, not only among the linebackers, but for the entire team.

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PHOTO BY NIKI CARDER/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

Melissa Nimmo steps on second base during Sunday's doubleheader with Missouri-Rolla. Northwest split the games with Rolla before going to Warrensburg and also splitting with the Jennies. They travel to Omaha for a tournament this weekend.

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Bearcats split doubleheader with Jennies, Missouri-Rolla

and shut them down," Anderson said. "It was on of those (situations) that you know that you got two good pitchers on the bench that could come in and shut them down."

The 'Cats scored eight runs on eight hits. Northwest scored three runs in the second and then, thanks to a two-run home run by Angie McCoy, they tied it up in the sixth inning. The team would then score three runs in the top of the seventh. The win was MacDonald's fourth victory of the year.

However, the team was not as successful in the nightcap as they were shut out 6-0.

Anderson wasn't displeased with the split but says she is always looking for more.

"We always want to be greedy and we definitely want to look for sweeps. But anytime that you are on the road and you can come away with the split with the teams that are up in the top of the conference, every game

counts right now," Anderson said. "It was great to see that our girls have the fight in them in that first game and that they weren't just going to roll over and die. I think we are learning a lot about ourselves and we are really starting to come together. This is what we need."

Earlier in the week the 'Cats hosted Southwest Baptist and Missouri Rolla. The team shut out Southwest Baptist twice on Saturday, 3-0 and 7-0. Talina Canon and Jacqui Handlos picked up the wins for the Bearcats.

The next day the team lost the first of two games to Missouri Rolla 3-0. The 'Cats managed to come back from a two-run deficit to beat the Miners 4-2. Ashley Pride hit a two-run shot in the fourth to tie it up. She was immediately followed by a home run by McCoy. Lindsay Stephenson added an insurance run in the sixth inning as she hit a solo home run.

The 'Cats, who have won four of their last six games, are now 13-23 overall and 6-4 in conference play.

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Stephenson cf	4	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
John 2b	3	0	1	0	0	1	2	4	1
Pride 3b	4	2	1	1	0	0	1	6	0
McCoy lf	3	2	1	2	1	0	1	0	1
Spring c	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dillon pr	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nimmo ss	3	1	1	1	0	2	4	0	0
Schulenberg lb	3	1	2	1	0	0	14	0	0
Santiago rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	4
MacDonald p	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Canon p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Sherman lf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shaw cf	4	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Long ss	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
McCulloch c	4	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Weatherly pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bax 3b	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	4	1
Myer rf	4	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	2
Young p	2	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	0
Furrer lb	1	0	1	2	1	0	13	0	0
Whitcomb 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	2

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Northwest	030	002	3	8	8	1

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Baseball team picks up win at Washburn

catch up and never really caught up."

Northwest was able to get two runs from Cameron Dodd and David Dugan.

That was all the Bearcats could come up with though, falling 5-2.

"I just thought we didn't get on track," Loe said. "We hit the ball hard, but they made some great plays. The plays they made took the wind out of our sails."

Over the weekend the squad picked up a sweep of the Missouri Southern Lions.

"That was probably the best game I've seen David pitch in his career at Northwest. He has struck 44 batters and walked three, so he isn't giving up extra bases and making everyone earn baserunners."

The Bearcats smoked the Lions 12-0 in that matchup.

They earned victories in the other two 4-3, 3-1.

Northwest hosts Pittsburg State Friday and Saturday in MIAA action.

"I think we have to pitch well and we have to swing the bats like we did in game one against Washburn," Loe said. "Runs overcome a lot of things. Hopefully

things can snowball and we can get some momentum."

Northwest 10

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Dodd ss	5	1	2	1	0	0	0	3	1
Dugan lb	3	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
Coons 3b	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Schwartz rf	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	0
Stewart dh	2	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	0
Mattie lf	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5
White 2b	3	1	1	0	1	0	2	1	0
Babb c	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Gallagher	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Westman c	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Newland cf	4	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	0

Washburn 3

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Clurman lf	4	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
Sisson cf	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Head ss	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2
Schmidt lb	3	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Koontz 3b	3	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	2
Martinez c	2	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0
Wild dh	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Hanner 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	1
Ryan rf	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Newton rf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Washburn	010	020	0	3	7	0
Northwest	300	051	1	10	11	0

Northwest 2

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Dodd ss	3	1	2	0	1	0	1	2	1
Dugan lb	3	1	2	1	1	0	5	0	0
Coons 3b	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0
Schwartz rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1
Stewart dh	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gallagher lf	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	2
White 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Westman c	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Mattie lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Babb c	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newland cf	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2

Washburn 5

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Sisson cf	4	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	2
DeForest dh	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Wild dh	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Head ss	3	1	1	1	0	0	4	1	0
Schmidt lb	3	0	1	0	0	0	6	1	0
Koontz 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Wachtler rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0
Dietrich 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1
Solstice c	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0
Clurman lf	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1

Washburn	300	020	X	5	11	3
Northwest	002	000	0	2	5	1

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Men earn title at Northwest Invitational

coming towards us and you released it properly, that discus would ride the wind and go up and up and up," he said. "On the other hand, if the wind is wrong, it can push it down."

The wind may also affect the times that runners finish with during an outdoor race.

"In the lap races, where you're going to have a strong wind in your face someplace in the track, it makes a difference," Alsup said.

The track teams will keep condi-

tioning and practicing before this weekend's meet.

"I've been looking forward to the meet, it's probably the Midwest version of the national championship," McKim said. "I think I'm ready for this weekend. I've been getting ready and I'm hoping to bust out some good throws."

The 'Cats are competing today through Saturday at the Emporia State Multi Events and D-II Challenge in Emporia, Kan.

Tennis team makes up for losses in Oklahoma

By JEROME BOETTCHER
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Though the outcome didn't show it, the tennis team managed to get some positive results out of the weekend.

The women lost three straight matches last weekend during the Northeastern State Tournament. However, they managed to pick up a 5-4 win at Missouri Southern Sunday.

In that win, doubles' partners Gena Lindsey and Rosa Tapia defeated Sheryl Porsch and Lacey McMunn from Missouri Southern 8-0. The pair from Southern was ranked 26th in the nation.

The team lost to Northeastern State, Midwestern State and Missouri Southern in the tournament. The loss to Southern was the first time that the Lady Bearcats had ever lost to the Lions in school history. Northwest's record is now 11-6 overall and 3-0 in the conference.

The men also suffered a setback this weekend as they fell to No. 10-ranked Drury University 8-1 on Saturday. The lone victory came in the doubles competition as Lander Panera and Alen Horvat won their match 8-6.

"There is no disgrace in losing to a team like that," Rosewell said. "In tennis, it's (a lot) like baseball. You play a lot of matches and you're indeed going to get beat a percentage of the time. We play a quality schedule, always have, so we're not backing off anybody. When you play that kind of schedule, you're going to get beat."

Though they only got one victory against Drury, Rosewell believes the team still had a good chance at winning the other matches.

"If you look at the scores, we were in just about every match besides no. 6 and possibly three doubles," he said. "Many of those other matches were winnable they were just a little bit better than us that day on the courts."

The men's record now falls to 11-2.

The women will be back in action today as they face Rockhurst. The men will travel to play Northern Colorado.

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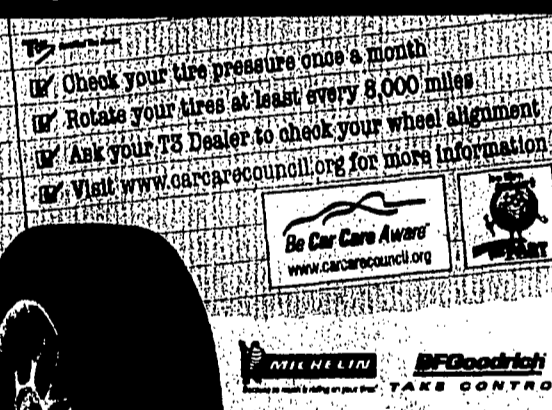


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A member of the 'Hounds girls soccer team goes through a drill during a practice early this week. The 'Hounds host Lafayette today at 4:30 p.m., hoping to continue their success from Tuesday.

'Hounds find net 9 times as they dominate and shutout Auburn

By JEREMY SCHWENK
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville girls soccer team continued their winning ways with a strong showing in Tuesday's game against Auburn, Neb.

"The girls played well together," head coach Bayo Oludaja said after the 'Hounds 9-0 win.

Both Sarah Wynn and Jennifer Nun had 3 goals each. Ashley Perry scored 2 goals with one coming from a penalty kick. Ashley Carmichael also contributed with one goal.

"They went for the ball and came up with it almost every time," Oludaja said. "They really worked the ball well and made things happen."

Last Thursday did not pan out as well as Oludaja had expected. The 'Hounds were shutout by Platte County, 6-0.

"Our passes got intercepted and were often off mark," Oludaja said.

However, the 'Hounds were quick to relinquish the loss with a win over St. Joseph LeBlond Tuesday.

"There was much better communication," Oludaja said. "They began to show a lot of improvement."

The 'Hounds hope to continue their winning streak against Lafayette today.

"We still have some injured players but I'm hoping that they will be in good form, enough to play well," Oludaja said.

Golfers take fourth at William Jewell Invite, MEC foes Benton and Savannah up next

By ANTHONY STIENS
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Beautiful Weather. Getting out of School. Showing off their skills.

The Maryville Spoofhounds golf team experienced all of this as they traveled to the Clay Crest Country Club in Liberty, Mo., Monday to take part in the William Jewell Invitational.

Though they failed to bring home first place, they were still able to place fourth out of nine teams with a four-man score of 339. Excelsior Springs brought home the title with a score of 299.

'Hounds junior Teal Twaddle and sophomore Kevin Mattson were the low scorers shooting an 81, while jun-

ior Matt Jasinski finished one stroke behind at 82.

"It was two of our players' first event (senior Nate Morley and sophomore Adam Wilmes). I felt our team could have played a lot better," head coach Thom Alvarez said.

The performance left the team disappointed, but full of optimism of what is to come.

"We were out of our element Monday, but we are now coming into our element," Twaddle said.

Three strokes ahead of the 'Hounds was Midland Empire Conference foe St. Joseph Lafayette, a team the 'Hounds defeated by seven strokes last week.

Alvarez said that finishing behind Lafayette stings a bit, considering they

have already beaten them. However, he knows they must now look toward future competition. He feels Savannah will be their best competition, returning all five of their varsity golfers from last year's squad.

"This will be an interesting year as we have five players vying for the fourth and fifth spots on varsity," Alvarez said. "I feel that we can compete with all of our competition."

The 'Hounds will be in action today when they head to Fairview Golf Course in St. Joseph to square off in a triangular meet with MEC opponents Savannah and St. Joseph Benton.

"Everyone needs to step it up a little bit," Jasinski said. "The more we push each other individually, the better we will shoot as a team."

Head athletic trainer one of 18 named winner of national association's award

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

For many Northwest athletes, head athletic trainer Dave Colt is as important to their success as their coaches are.

Now the National Athletic Trainers' Association shares the same feeling.

The NATA named Colt as the 2004 Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer last week. Colt is one of only 18 recipients of the award nationwide this year.

"It is a humbling award to receive," Colt said. "First to think that someone thought enough of me to nominate me and secondly to think that the NATA then chose me is a great feeling."

"DC" as he is referred to, works directly with the football and men's

basketball programs while heading a staff that takes care of all Northwest athletes.



Dave Colt

"I'd like to think we play an important role in the athletic department at Northwest," Colt said. "Not the most important role, but still an important one."

He and his staff work to prevent injuries of athletes as well as rehabilitating them if they are injured.

"We are there to greet them when they come off the field after they are

injured, help them through rehab and pat them on the back when they run back out onto the field," Colt said.

He said at times, after an injury first happens, the staff deals as much with the emotions of being injured as much as the injury itself.

At the same time, trainers must take on the role of a parent, making sure an athlete doesn't overdo anything.

"Sometimes we have to nurture the athletes when they are injured and sometimes we have to get on them to keep doing what they are supposed to be doing to overcome their injuries," Colt said.

Colt will receive his award June 18 at the NATA's 55th Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposia in Baltimore, Md.

The Association was founded in 1950 and includes more than 30,000 members.

FAN PLAN	TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest baseball							Rockhurst TBA
Northwest softball		UNO Tournament TBA	UNO Tournament TBA				
Northwest men's tennis		Northern Colorado 2 p.m.					Central Oklahoma Tournament
Northwest women's tennis	Rockhurst 3:30 p.m.						Central Oklahoma Tournament
'Hounds baseball	Cameron 4:30 p.m.						
'Hounds girls' soccer							

■ GAME TO WATCH: The softball team continues to try to make a run for the conference title on Wednesday against Emporia State. The Hornets are currently on top of the MIAA standings. The 'Cats are also on a bit of a roll as they have won four out of their last six games after only winning nine out of their first 30 games.

■ Home games

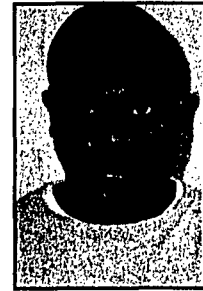
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Who do you think will win the American League Central?



"The Indians will win it. I've liked them ever since I saw 'Major League.'"

DREW DEJONG
Elementary Education



"K.C. They've been signing good people and I think they've improved since last season."

JOHN WILLIAMS
Pre-Law



"The Royals will win because they looked good in spring training. They have decent pitching and good bats."

JAKE CHRISTENSEN
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"K.C. 'cause they're the hometown team."

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Your Man demands tree-hugging

I drop a piece of fish food into the bowl of residence for Beta, the little red-black fish that my roommate and I share. Amused, I watch as the fish darts toward the surface of the water, pause just long enough to study the little ball, and then lunge hungrily at it. More often than not, Beta misses and the food floats off to another part of the bowl. But being the persistent little fish that he is, Beta goes right after it and continues to lunge until he has gobbled up that elusive piece of fish food. Sometimes the food makes its way right up against the glass and poor Beta ends up ramming his face into the bowl with each lunge, causing a little *clink* over and over until the food is gone.

Out of sheer curiosity, I looked up "beta fish" on the Internet and discovered that our beloved fish is native to Southeast Asia. These fish are also called Siamese fighting fish and prefer tropical climates. They are very resilient, and as many of us know, apt to fighting one another if kept in the same bowl.

It's amazing what we can learn about the little things that we observe on a daily basis. With the arrival of springtime, the plants are in bloom and it is



THE STROLLER

difficult not to wonder about them and the little creatures that reside within them. And what about all the microscopic creatures swimming around in Golden Pond? Or the worms that surface onto the sidewalks after a hard rain? Or our favorite creatures on campus, the squirrels?

Sadly, the environments of every one of these living things are slowly being destroyed. In recent years, our president has relaxed environmental protection policies. The words "global warming" do not exist in the man's vocabulary. But we cannot simply point fingers at Washington and lay the blame there. There are recycle bins all over

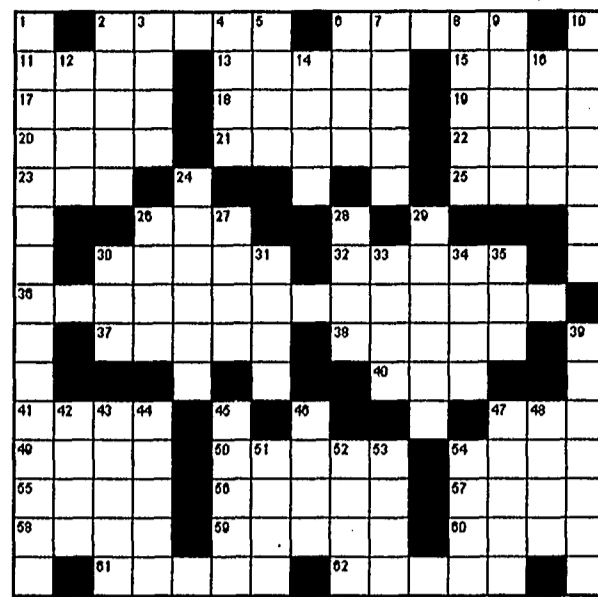
this campus and yet, how many plastic bottles and newspapers get thrown away every day? How much extra effort does it really take to walk a few yards to one of those gray bins?

And speaking of walking, do we really need to drive to get from one class to another? Folks, this is not a humongous campus...or town for that matter. Take it from The Stroller: It can be nice to walk across campus. Ever noticed how beautiful it is, especially in the spring and fall? Besides, walking is much cheaper because it doesn't require gasoline.

One night I discovered that Beta would follow my pen around if I moved it in front of him. I moved it left and right and he just went right along with it. Next I moved the pen up and he followed that too. But when I moved the pen down, he didn't come along. So Beta will shake his head as if to say "no," but he won't nod. Such a pessimistic fish, I decided. But who can blame him? His natural habitat is being destroyed.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD



Across

2. Doughnut-shaped roll
6. Corrodes
11. Lengthened
13. Examine
15. City in central Texas
17. Turkish money
18. Slant
19. Inwardly
20. Plant having fronds
21. Senior
22. Jail
23. Climbing vine
25. Wise
26. Sink or bend downward

30. Capital of Ghana
32. Use effectively
36. Inadequate
37. Publish
38. Tropical eel
40. Vietnam
41. Ova
47. Influenza
49. Standard
50. Shed feathers
54. Insult
55. Group of three persons
56. Tool for boring holes
57. Rowing implements
58. Pre Easter season
59. Mediterranean island

60. Microphone
61. Ships floors
62. Person who skis

Down

1. In an unrestrained fashion
2. Small pulpy fruit
3. Yemeni seaport
4. Relaxation
5. Soothe
6. Matured
7. Wombs
8. Tiny branches
9. Largest Yemeni city
10. Affording no joy

12. Capital of the Ukraine
14. Extinct flightless bird
16. Overfill
24. Plan
26. Mark left by a healed wound
27. Broad smile
28. Traveled through water
29. Be unfaithful
30. Viper
31. American Society for Testing Materials
33. Image
34. Rich soil
35. Not wet
39. Hunted
42. Clotted blood
43. Whet
44. Hit
45. Slap
46. Enormous
47. Natural talent
48. Wait in concealment
51. Belonging to us
52. Permits
53. Migrate
54. Unspecified in number

See answers below

on the edge

Careers they had before they were stars:

■ Early in his career Rod Stewart worked as a coffin polisher.

■ Early in his show business career, Richard Dreyfuss was in a Gilem toothpaste TV commercial.

■ Before he pursued his acting career, Jack Nicholson worked as an office boy in MGM's cartoon department.

■ Before beginning his movie career, Keanu Reeves managed a pasta shop in Toronto, Canada.

■ Early in her career, Oscar-winning actress Angelina Jolie appeared in music videos of the Rolling Stones, Meatloaf and Lenny Kravitz.

■ Eric Clapton attended Kingston College of Art, but his original career path in stained-glass design ended forever when the blues-obsessed youth was expelled at age 17 for playing his guitar in an art class.

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Blues on Grand

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Ranch Bowl

April 20 **The Red Chord**
Ranch Bowl

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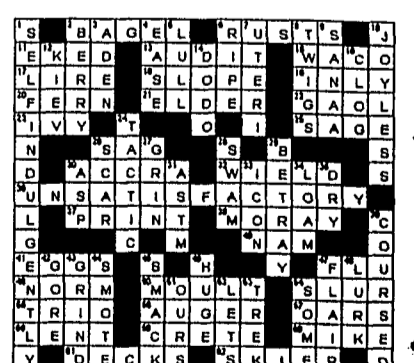
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